

May 11, 2015

Ms. Sharon Tso
Chief Legislative Analyst
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Re: Street Vending Community Meetings

Dear Sharon,

We understand the Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) will be conducting a series of community meetings on behalf of the Los Angeles City Council's Economic Development Committee. We need to be clear on the intent and purpose of the meetings.

It would be greatly appreciated if the following questions are answered by close of business Tuesday, May 12, 2015:

- What is the format of the community meetings? Will there be a formal public comment period? How will stakeholder input be recorded and transmitted to the Los Angeles City Council? Are the meetings going to be noticed in advance of the minimum requirements of the Brown Act so that all stakeholders have the opportunity to participate?
- In November 2014 there was an invitation only meeting prior to the Economic Development Committee is it possible to receive a copy of the sign-in sheet?
- What are community stakeholders being asked to give input on? At the last Economic Development Committee in November 2014, several departments were instructed to report back regarding the proposed sidewalk vending program. Will those report backs be available to the public prior to the community meetings or at the community meetings?
- How were the locations of the community meetings selected? Why aren't the meetings being held Citywide?
- Will other City departments be participating in the meetings? For example, will the Los Angeles Police Department, the Office of the City Attorney and the Bureau of Street Services be present?
- Will the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health be at the community meetings?

As you know, it is a departure from standard practice for the CLA to host community meetings on behalf of a Council committee, and we thank you for any insight you can lend to this new process.

With kind regards,

Carol Schatz
President & CEO

cc: Councilmember Curren Price, Chair of the Economic Development Committee
Councilmember Paul Kreokorian
Councilmember Jose Huizar
Councilmember Gilbert A. Cedillo
Councilmember Nury Martinez
Councilmember Herb J. Wesson, Jr.
Councilmember Paul Koretz